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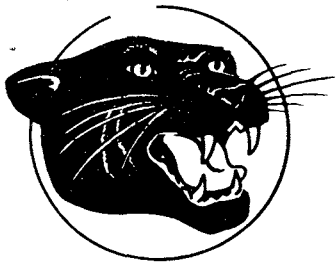
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# Panther Sports News

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## (PREVIEWING THE WEEK (Sept. 24-30))

- Thursday, Sept. 25      **SOCCER HOSTS MACMURRAY (3:00, LAKESIDE FIELD)**  
Golf at Southern Indiana Invitational  
Men's Tennis at Illinois State
- Saturday, Sept. 27      Volleyball at Marquette  
Men's and Women's Cross Country  
                                 at Illinois Invitational  
Women's Tennis at Sangamon State Triangular
- Sunday, Sept. 28      **SOCCER HOSTS ILLINOIS STATE (2:00, LAKESIDE FIELD)**  
Volleyball at Loyola
- Monday, Sept. 29      Golf at Illinois Intercollegiate
- Tuesday, Sept. 30      **WOMEN'S TENNIS HOSTS ILLINOIS (3:00, TRIAD COURTS)**

## REVIEWING THE WEEK (Sept. 20-21)

### FOOTBALL

**WEEKEND RESULTS:** The Panthers won their third straight, a 52-7 Gateway Conference victory over Southern Illinois University .. that was the most EIU points since Eastern downed Kentucky State 73-0 in 1982.

**RECORD:** Eastern is 3-1 overall and 1-1 in the Gateway Conference.

**NEXT GAME:** The Panthers are idle this Saturday (9/27) . . . next game is at home vs. Liberty University on October 4.

**COACH AL MOLDE SAID:** "This was a great team victory . . . a total team effort. We wanted to take charge and getting on the board the first two times we had our hands on the ball gave us a lot of confidence. The defense actually got a shutout because the only score was on a kick return...that indicates the progress we're making. Now we have to go from here and maintain our consistency."

**NAPERVILLE (CENTRAL)** . . . Sean Payton, senior quarterback, was picked the Gateway Conference 'Player of the Week' by throwing 26-40-0 for 400 yards, three TD passes of 5, 9 and 62 yards and running for two one yard scores . . . this season Payton is averaging 303 yards per game with eight TD passes . . . he has 1212 yards passing, and 8411 in his career . . . his 400 yards was his fifth 400 plus game in his career, and the sixth highest EIU single game figure.

**OAK LAWN (RICHARDS)** . . . Calvin Pierce, senior slotback, set an EIU single game record catching 199 yards on 10 receptions . . . the old single game record was 195 by Willie White in 1971 . . . Pierce also caught a 62 yard TD pass . . . he is averaging 6.5 catches p/game and 116.3 yards p/contest.

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FARMER CITY-MANSFIELD . . . Jeff Rolson, sophomore defensive lineman, had five assisted tackles bringing his season total to 14 . . . he also has one tackle for loss.

MINOOKA (JOLIET CC) . . . Mike Briscoe, junior inside linebacker, had four tackles bringing his season total to 14.

JOLIET (CATHOLIC) . . . Sean O'Brien, sophomore center, was picked the offensive 'lineman of the week' . . . O'Brien led an offensive unit that produced 521 yards total offense . . . it's his first selection of the season for this honor.

DOLTON (THORNBRIDGE/THORNTON CC) . . . Dan Polewski, senior inside linebacker, was the team's defensive 'player of the week' with five solo tackles, five assisted tackles, two SIU fumble recoveries and one EIU recovery . . . for the season he has 10 solos, 16 assisted tackles.

LAMESA, CA (GROSSMONT CC) . . . Scott Pilkerton, senior defensive lineman, was the 'lineman of the week' with 10 tackles, a QB sack and forced fumble . . . Pilkerton has 16 tackles this season.

WINNETKA (NEW TRIER) . . . Jeff Mills, sophomore inside backer, was also cited by the staff for top honors as he had 10 total tackles . . . he leads the team with 36 tackles, a QB sack and two tackles for loss.

SAN DIEGO, CA (MESA/MESA CC) . . . Rick Ziemann, senior outside linebacker, received special mention from the coaching staff by getting five tackles including a forced fumble and tackle for loss.

NEWTON . . . Scott Johnson, sophomore free safety, was the secondary 'player of the week' with eight tackles and intercepted his first pass of the season, an endzone play to stop a potential SIU score. . . Johnson has 11 tackles this season.

FREEPORT . . . Derick Wilhelms, junior tight end, caught two passes for 41 yards and ran twice for 20 yards . . . one of the pass receptions was a 24 yarder . . . Wilhelms has caught four this season for 69 yards . . . those were his first two rushing attempts. . . he has been switched to offense this fall after starting at linebacker the previous two years, and has started all four games.

DUNDEE . . . Pat Carroll, junior quarterback, came off the bench to quarterback the fourth quarter . . . he was 4-7-0 for 52 yards, the longest a 24 yard pass to Derick Wilhelms . . . this was his first appearance at QB this fall.

RANTOUL . . . Bob Bronaugh, senior strong safety, had eight assisted tackles and forced a fumble . . . he is fourth on the team in tackles with 23, has two fumble recoveries, a pass interception and two broken up passes.

DETROIT, MI (KING) . . . Rod Reynolds, redshirt freshman cornerback, intercepted a pass returning it 25 yards for a touchdown . . . it was his third interception of the season.

CALUMET CITY (THORNTON FRACTIONAL NORTH) . . . John Jurkovic, sophomore defensive lineman, had nine tackles and a QB sack . . . he is sixth on the team with 20 tackles including two QB sacks and four tackles for loss.

MARKHAM (TINLEY PARK/MORAIN VALLEY CC) . . . Aaron Thomas, senior lineman, had nine tackles, two tackles for loss and batted down a pass at the line of scrimmage . . . he is second on the team with 27 tackles and four tackles for loss.

## WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

PREVIOUS RESULTS: EIU defeated Toledo 15-10, 15-9, 18-16 last Monday in Lantz Gym.

TEAM RECORD: 7-8

NEXT EVENT: The Lady Panthers will travel to Marquette, Saturday, Sept. 27, and Loyola, Sunday, Sept. 28. Eastern hosts Evansville, Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 7:00 p.m. at Lantz Gym.

COACH BETTY RALSTON: "We have taken a few days off over the past week to let the team get back into the swing of things. In practice we have been working in small groups to fine-tune some of the things we needed to work on the past couple of weeks. I'm pretty pleased with most of our performances to date but we can't let up."

OAK PARK: (Oak Park-River Forest HS) Maura LeFevour, senior, leads the team in hitting percentage with a .324 average. She is second on the team in kills (124) and total blocks (49).

LAGRANGE: (Lyons Township HS) Gianna Galanti, sophomore, hit .423 with 13 kills and six total blocks in Eastern's win over Toledo. The 5-10 sophomore has a team-leading 131 kills and 49 total blocks. She only tallied 78 kills and 39 total blocks all last season.

MT. PROSPECT: (Wheeling HS) Jeanne Pacione, junior, is third on the squad in kills with 122. She was credited with nine kills, 19 assists and two block solos in the Lady Panthers win over Toledo. Pacione's 254 assists is second on the team and her .196 attack percentage is fourth best on the team.

OAK FOREST: (Oak Forest HS) Donna Sicher, freshman, leads the club in assists (266) and digs (167). Last week she was ranked seventh in the Gateway Conference in assists (5.43 /gm) and fourth in digs (3.41 /gm). Sicher's 17 service aces is second-best on the team.

## Men's Golf

PREVIOUS RESULTS: Eastern came in fourth-place at both the Lewis Invitational and the St. Joseph's College Invitational. The Panthers captured the team-title at its own Eastern Illinois Invitational.

TEAM RECORD: One team-title, two fourth-place finishes.

NEXT EVENT: EIU travels to the Franklin College Invitational, Monday, Sept. 22 and competes in the Southern Indiana Invitational, Thursday, Sept. 25

COACH PAUL LUEKEN SAYS: "We did not play too bad at the Lewis Invitational considering we were playing on a tough course. Our showing at St. Joseph was good considering the teams that were involved. I'm very excited for the kids that we won the EIU Invitational. All the pressure was on us to do our best."

CHAMPAIGN: Centennial HS Clay Snyder, senior, tied for second-place at the St. Joseph's College Invitational shooting a 72.

HARRISBURG: Harrisburg HS Todd Bittle, sophomore, shot a 76 in the EIU Invitational to help tie him for second-place in the tourney.

#### Women's Cross Country

PREVIOUS RESULTS: 13th of 21 teams at the Midwest Collegiate Championships in Kenosha, WI.

NEXT EVENT: Saturday, Sept. 27 at the Illinois Invitational in Champaign, IL

COACH JOHN CRAFT SAYS: "We are running much more competitively at this point in the season. Our objective is to run better by the end of the season. Janine (Jarris) wanted to run well here since she is a senior. I was pleased with her 18th-place finish."

ST. CHARLES: St. Charles HS Janine Jarris, senior, placed 18th with a time of 18:10.

LITCHFIELD: Litchfield HS) Kerri Sperry, senior, placed 41st with a personal best time of 19:05.

#### SOCCER

WEEKEND RESULT: EIU lost to Quincy 1-0 in the Panthers' home opener on Sunday at Lakeside Field.

TEAM RECORD: 2-1-1

COACH CIZO MOSNIA SAYS: "It's a very tough loss because they're a (Midwest) regional team. We are competing with them for a national (playoff) bid, so it really hurts when we lose to them . . . we're having problems scoring goals. I think we have the people who can put the ball into the net. Our problem is the confidence of doing it. Everybody is waiting for someone else to take the initiative."

SCHAUMBURG: Mark Simpson, junior goalie, had 12 saves against Quincy . . . he has one shutout this season and has allowed three goals in four games for a 0.75 goals against average.

## MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

WEEKEND RESULT: EIU was 12th in the 28-team field of the Midwest Collegiate Championship at Kenosha, WI with 292 points. Defending NCAA Division I champion Wisconsin won the meet with 27 points.

NEXT MEET: The Panthers will compete in the Illinois Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 27, at 10:00 a.m. at Mahomet, IL on a 10,000-meter course (6.2 miles).

ASSISTANT COACH TOM AKERS SAYS: "I was disappointed because this was one of our lowest finishes there . . . however, it was one of the stronger fields with national champion Wisconsin . . . we're just too young and inexperienced right now . . . we had too big of a gap between our No. 3 and No. 4 finishers . . . the Illinois Invitational is going to be a heck of a lot tougher than the field at Kenosha."

JASONVILLE, IN (SHAKAMAK): John Wells, sophomore, was Eastern's top runner for the second consecutive meet as he captured 27th among the 256 participants in 25:52 for 8,000 meters (4.97 miles).

WHEATON (NORTH): Dan Scheffler, junior transfer from North Central, took 42nd place in 26:16.

WHEATON (NORTH): Tom Buchanan, junior transfer from DuPage CC, finished 52nd in 26:26.

PONTIAC: Bruce Albright, sophomore, placed 84th in 26:51.

WESTERN SPRINGS (LYONS TOWNSHIP): Mike Young, freshman, was 99th in 27:11.